As we enter 2017, the Township looks forward to several projects moving forth including the grand opening of the Whole Foods in January with other businesses in Siena at St. Clair soon to follow. CVS Pharmacy will relocate to a new larger store at the corner of Route 19 and Ft. Couch Road and?????? Other projects include PennDOT’s replacement of the Morrow Road Bridge later in 2017 and its continued study of the McLaughlin Run/Lesnett/McMillan Roads intersection with plans for future improvements and upgrades on the horizon. This year we will also see the onset of street signs replacement, which will improve visibility and readability and also incorporate the Township’s revised logo and theme maintaining a hint of the signs from the past.

While we are excited for new opportunities in the New Year, 2016 saw the formal adoption of the 2016 Parks & Recreation Plan component of the 2015-2025 Township Comprehensive Plan which is available for review here on the Township’s website. The Board of Commissioners adopted a budget that once again maintains the current tax rate while also refunding the 2008 Bonds resulting in additional long-term savings to the Township. Traffic calming measures were approved for Country Club Drive while McLaughlin Run Road was paved in its entirety from Bower Hill Road in Bridgeville to McMurray Road in Bethel Park. We were pleased with the addition of Dunkin’ Donuts and B.J.’s Brewhouse to the menu of choices for local eateries. The Estate Homes of Bedner Farms housing development plan continues to offer new housing options within the Township. The Township secured property on Hays Road through federal assistance to help impede possible flooding. Although one section of the Boyce Mayview Perimeter Trail remains to complete the approximate 5-mile loop, two segments of the Boyce Mayview Perimeter Trail were approved in 2016. Baker Park even received an update amidst all the other projects underway including the completion of the McMurray Road/Bethel Church Road intersection with new decorative mast arms, revised signal heads, improved ADA pedestrian crossing and new signage. This intersection represents the new “Township visual standard” for all intersections through the corridor.

As always, we wish you and your family a safe and healthy new year!

Sincerely,

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